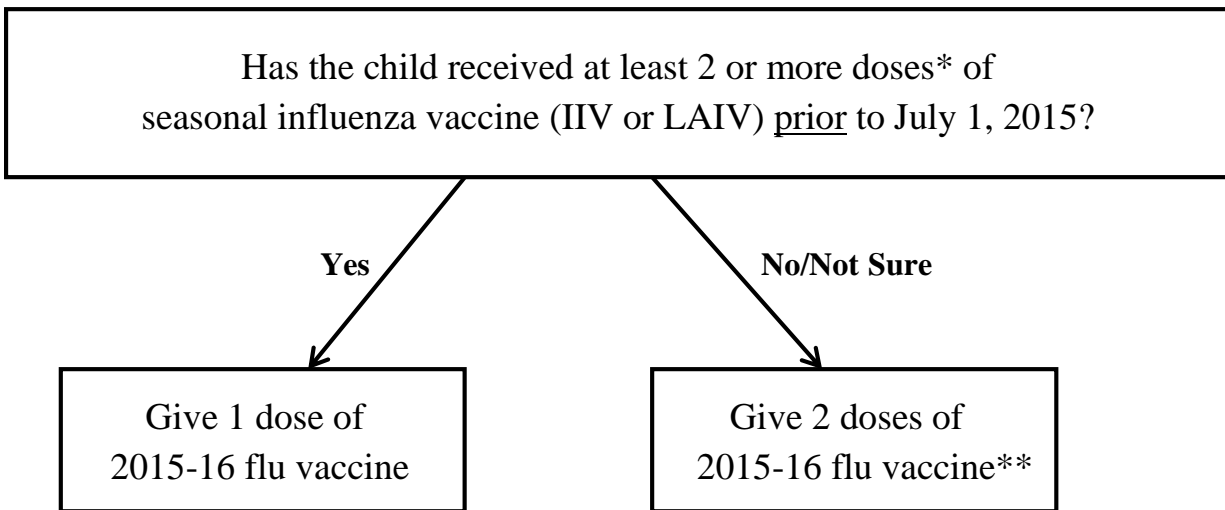


Who Needs Two Doses of 2015-16 Seasonal Influenza Vaccine?

2015-16 Pediatric 2-Dose Algorithm for Children 6 months through 8 years



*The 2 doses of flu vaccine need not have been received in the same season or consecutive seasons

**Separate 2 doses of flu vaccine by at least 4 weeks

Points to consider for the 2015-16 Influenza Season

- All persons aged 6 months and older will need at least 1 dose of 2015-16 flu vaccine; some children aged 6 months through 8 years will need 2 doses of 2015-16 flu vaccine
- Children aged 6 months through 8 years who received at least 2 or more doses of seasonal flu vaccine (IIV3, IIV4, LAIV3 or LAIV4) prior to July 1, 2015, only need 1 dose of 2015-16 seasonal flu vaccine
- If a child has not received at least 2 seasonal flu doses (IIV3, IIV4, LAIV3 or LAIV4) before July 1, 2015, administer 2 doses of flu vaccine; separated by 4 weeks
 - Doses of monovalent H1N1 vaccine do not count towards assessment; it is not considered a seasonal flu vaccine
- When assessing a child's flu vaccine history to determine if 1 or 2 doses are needed, only review flu vaccine doses given prior to July 1, 2015 (do not include doses received during the 2015-16 flu season)
- Persons aged 9 years and older only need 1 dose of flu vaccine, regardless of previous flu vaccination history
- There is no preference for LAIV4 over IIV3 or IIV4 for any age group
 - Data from recent flu seasons indicated there was no better protection from LAIV over IIV
- Abbreviations for 2015-16 flu vaccine: Inactivated Influenza Vaccine, trivalent (IIV3) and quadrivalent (IIV4) and Live Attenuated Influenza Vaccine, quadrivalent (LAIV4)

Remember influenza dosage is based on age:

- 0.25 mL is a full dose for a child aged 6-35 months; if 2 doses are needed in a season, give 2 doses of 0.25 mL separated by 4 weeks
- 0.5 mL is a full dose for persons age 3 years & older; if 2 doses are needed in a season, give 2 doses of 0.5 mL separated by 4 weeks
- 0.2 mL of LAIV is a full dose for healthy persons 2-49 years; if 2 doses are needed, give 2 doses of 0.2 mL separated by 4 weeks
- A child aged 2 years 11 months should receive 0.25 mL of IIV or 0.2 mL of LAIV. If child returns 4 weeks later for 2nd dose and is aged 3 years, dose will be 0.5 mL of IIV or 0.2 mL of LAIV